

# Taking resilience forward – where does Pathfinder lead us?

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# Defra Flood Resilience Community Pathfinder



- 13 projects
- A nationwide approach
- Testing new ideas
- Developing a network of practitioners
- An opportunity to extend this work to new areas



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# The result

- Trauma
- Incredibly high stress levels
- Illness
- Anger
- Frustration
- Fear
- Loss of faith in those that manage the risk
- Resignation that nothing will happen to improve the situation
- Apathy to help those that manage the risk
- Contentious communities

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# Prepared communities suffer less ....



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# What have we learnt so far?



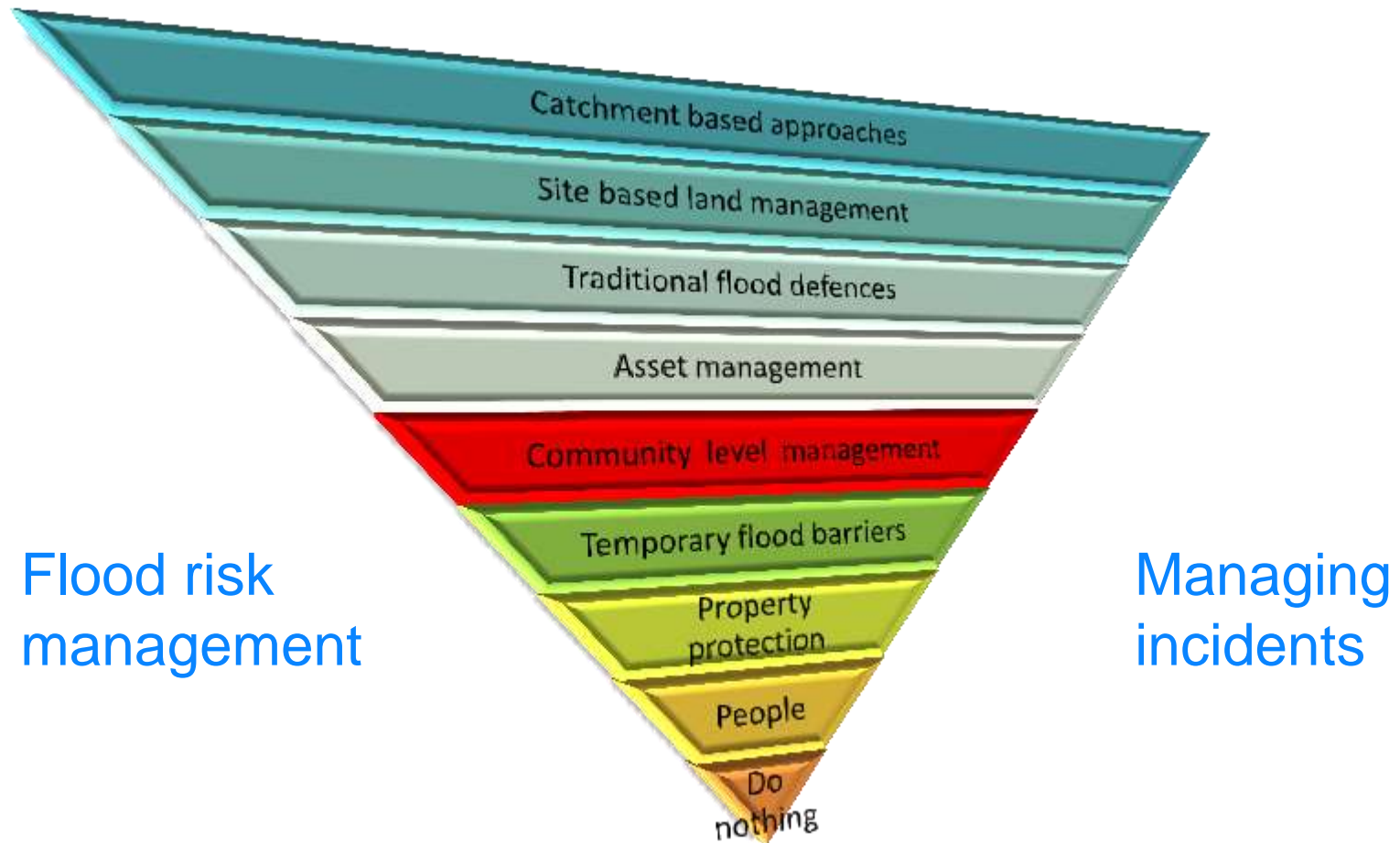
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# Challenges and Opportunities



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# Future community support



You can't build flood defences everywhere, but you can work with every community to increase their flood resilience



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# Thank you

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